

St. Thomas Episcopal Church
Vestry Minutes
March 19, 2019

Present: Bette Dufour, Beverly Cox, Thelma Martin, Rick Kiefer, Diane Mullen, Gail Carlson, Joan Allen, George Pawliczak

Not Present: Fr. Ted Koelln, Nancy Conley

Bette Dufour opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00 pm.

The **Treasurer's Report** was reviewed. Bette noted that a check for \$17,278 was sent to the Diocese for what was past due. She also noted that we need an elected treasurer which is required by the Diocese. This is a volunteer position. Please bring the names of someone who might be interested in this position to the April Vestry meeting. We will let Rev. Jeffrey work on this when she gets here. Beverly Cox moved to accept the report, Joan Allen seconded, and the motion passed.

The February **Vestry Minutes** were reviewed. Gail Carlson moved to approve, Thelma Martin seconded, and the motion passed.

Interim Rector's Report: There is none. Fr. Ted has met with Pastor Kate and she hopes he will remain with us.

Old Business:

The **Mowery Scholarship Guidelines** were reviewed as well as the guidelines for the **Dickinson Scholarship Fund**. There were no corrections. Joan Allen motioned to approve both sets of guidelines, George Pawliczak seconded, and the motion passed. Bette will send a copy of the Mowery Guidelines to the Diocesan Board.

Seder Meal: Gail Carlson reported that 29 people are interested in attending. She will coordinate activities for this event to be held on April 18th at 6:00 pm. And plan for approximately 40.

New Business:

The **May Vestry meeting** will be changed to Tuesday, May 14th as Bette will be out of town and it will be Katherine's first meeting. Bette will invite Marjorie Carter to attend.

Easter Brunch: The men of MOST agreed to host the Easter Brunch to be held between services on April 21.

Bette reported that Rapture Air has checked the **church AC** we were having problems with. It does not need to be replaced, it just needed some belts tightened.

Active Shooter Plan: Bette reported that we needed a written Active Shooter Plan. When Katherine gets here, she will work with the Sheriff's Department to accomplish this.

Campus Yard Work Plan: Bill Kieran has been working on our church grounds and has asked to be allowed approximately \$500 to beautify the campus with pruning, planting and clean up. Beverly Cox motioned to use up to \$500 (from the Bazaar fund) to fund this project. Gail Carlson seconded, and the motion passed.

Buildings and Grounds: George Pawliczak announced that we would have our Spring Clean Up Day on Saturday April 13th from 8 am to noon.

Worship: Gail Carlson reported on developments involving worship and will report back at the next meeting.

Evangelism: Bette reported that we sent out approximately 25 cards inviting people back to church on March 17 to meet our new rector.

Pastoral Care: Thelma Martin reported on her visit. Thelma needs to be notified if someone is in need of a hospital or nursing home visit. She cannot arrange visits if she does not know about it. Bette gave her several more names in need of a visit.

Education: Bette reminded us of the Thursday evening Lenten program about forgiveness.

Thelma reported on learning about the Holy Land. She suggested we look at a cruise in 2020 and a visit to the Holy Land in Kissimmee. This we could plan for October or November for approximately \$50 per person.

Sunday's Pot Luck Dinner was declared successful. The only complaint was about the long line. We will look at various options for next time.

George motioned to adjourn, Rick seconded.

Bette asked Gail to close with prayer at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mullen